



**Great Basin Priority Summary - Based on Most Recent 209's  
8/28/2020**

Priority	Unit ID	Incident	Suppression Strategy	Descriptive Location	Size	24 hr Change	% Ctn	Expected Ctn Date	Complexity / IC Name	Crews		Helicopters			Total # Persons	Critical Needs	Threats
										T-1	T-2IA or 2	T-1	T-2	T-3			
New and emerging initial attack within the Great Basin																	
IA	ID-IFD	Black Sands	Full Suppression	11 mi N of Rexburg, ID	75	NEW											
Ongoing large fires within the Great Basin																	
1	NV-SND	Cat Canyon	Full Suppression	16 mi NE of Beatty, NV	175	+50	40%	9/15/20	Type 4 IC Johnson	0	0	0	1	0	5	None	Afternoon winds will have an impact on aircraft delivering retardant and water to fire
2	UT-ASF	East Fork	10% Monitor 55% Confine 25% PZP 10% Full Supp	13 mi. N of Hanna, UT	2,842	+90	17%	9/30/20	Type 2 IMT Tim Roide	1	0	2	0	2	145	None	No likely threats due to cloud cover, higher RH and potential showers
3	UT-FIF	Cowboy	Full Suppression	33 mi. E of Richfield, UT	565	0	80%	9/30/20	Type 3 Team Jared Teeples	0	1	1	3	1	139	T2 & T3 Helo to stay w/T4 Org	Bonneville Cut throat Trout in Salina Creek & Sage Grouse Lek
4	ID-BOF	Buck	Full Suppression	30 mi. NE of Cascade, ID	40	0	0%	9/30/20	Type 3 IC B. Kitchen	1	4	1	0	1	148	IR flight, continued aircraft support	Johnson Creek main corridor, Bull trout habitat, private & forest infrastructure
*** Notes of Significance ***																	
Fires highlighted in yellow have submitted a FINAL ICS-209 or will no longer meet criteria to be prioritized																	
	NV-ELD	Flat	Full Suppression	52 mi North of Ely, NV	2,616	0	100%	8/28/20	Type 4 IC L. Ahlvers	0	0	0	0	0	11	None	Sage Grouse habitat
	UT-SWS	Scrub	Full Suppression	10 mi. N of Beaver Dam, UT	402	0	100%	8/26/20	Type 4 IC H. Heyder	0	0	0	0	0	0	None	Impacting Woodbury Desert Study area

## Evening Brief

Date: Friday August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020

### Weather Summary

**\*\*\*Gusty winds across most of Idaho as well as central/southern Nevada and western Utah on Saturday\*\*\***

Thunderstorms are expected to develop on Saturday and Sunday with coverage shifting further south each day. Storms on Saturday will mainly impact the higher terrain of central/southern Utah and the Arizona Strip. By Sunday, storms will mainly be confined to the far southern portion of the area.

Gusty winds are a concern into early next week. On Saturday, gusty winds with low relative humidity will impact most of Idaho as well as central/southern Nevada and western Utah. Wind speeds on Saturday will be in the 25 to 35 mph range. Winds on Saturday will generally be southwesterly. The combination of gusty winds and low relative humidity across Idaho are particularly concerning as they will follow multiple days of lightning, increasing the potential for holdover fires. On Sunday, a cold front will move through the Great Basin from north to south. Winds will increase and shift to the north on Sunday, with gusty winds across southern Idaho, northwest Nevada, and the northern half of Utah. Temperatures will drop on Sunday, but relative humidity's will remain near critical levels.

Smoke from California wildfires will improve heading into the weekend as the southwest wind flow decreases this week and shifts to the northwest behind the cold front this weekend.

High pressure will build across the area next week resulting in warmer and drier conditions basin-wide.

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### Preparedness Levels & Great Basin Fire Activity (from WFDSS)

Great Basin	PL 3	Light Initial Attack Activity
National	PL 5	New Fires and Acres: 23 fires for 107.1 acres. 140 Acres Large Fire Growth.

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### Fuels/Fire Potential

**\*\*\*A Fuel and Fire Behavior Advisory is in Effect for Eastern Nevada, Most of Utah and the Western Arizona Strip\*\*\***

Fuels in all regions, of all class sizes, have dried to critically dry fuel conditions. Recent storm activity across the northern half of the great basin has taken the edge off critical fuels across northern Nevada and much of Idaho. ERCs across the central part of the Great Basin remain at record high levels, with ERCs across the far south trending upwards and back into record-high territory. A cold front will bring much colder temperatures to much of the area early next week. While the front will not be

accompanied by significant precipitation, the cooler temperatures will likely drop ERCs for a few days. However, warm and dry conditions next week will likely lead to a rebound in ERCs.

Live fuel moisture in the sagebrush has dropped to below 100% across most lower elevations, from the Snake River Plain southward into most of Utah, Nevada and the Arizona Strip, where sagebrush moisture is breaking records, 50-60% in several stations, supporting Extreme Fire Behavior. Across the Central Idaho Mountains into Western Wyoming heavier dead fuels have dried to normal late summer levels, with the increased threat of lightning fires.

## Resources:

### Aviation within the Great Basin

- 1 VLAT, 2 LATs / 1 Fire Boss
- 25 SEATs, 10 AA, 2 ASM
- 9 Type 1 Helicopters / 6 Comm.
- 10 Type 2 Helicopters / 7 Comm.
- 20 Type 3 Helicopters / 7 Comm.

### Crews Committed within the Great Basin

- 5 IHCs / 5 Available
- 10 Type 2IA / 4 Available

## Current Incident Details

Today's Activity (from WFDSS):

Incident Name	Unique Fire Identifier	Size	Status	Latitude	Longitude	Pt. Of Origin Sage Grouse Habitat
*Cotton	2020-NVCCD-030670	0.1	Controlled 08/27/20	39.33204	119.1485	NO
*Red Rock	2020-IDSTF-000306	0.1	Not Contained	43.51766	114.7779	NO
*EAGLE	2020-IDBOF-000728	0.1	Out 08/28/20	43.8405	115.2433	NO
*STEEL	2020-IDBOF-000727	0.1	Not Contained	43.81859	115.2733	NO
*Mule	2020-IDPAF-000519	0.1	Not Contained	45.43177	114.9906	NO
*CORRAL	2020-IDBOF-000729	0.1	Not Contained	43.78437	115.557	NO
*Deer Creek	2020-IDPAF-000521	0.1	Not Contained	45.43827	115.1365	NO
*Little French	2020-IDPAF-000522	0.1	Contained 08/28/20	45.23066	116.1145	NO
*Flatland	2020-NVCCD-030672	1.4	Controlled 08/27/20	39.85465	119.6324	GHMA
*Lake Valley	2020-NVELD-040162	0.1	Controlled 08/27/20	38.404983	114.629433	OHMA
*DUTCH	2020-IDBOF-000730	0.1	Not Contained	43.81256	115.3738	NO
*Pacific	2020-IDIFD-020122	0.1	Contained 08/28/20	44.41088	114.3052	GHMA
*JUMBO WASH	2020-NVLAP-501321	0.1	Out 08/28/20	35.86714	114.6631	NO
COTTONLINE	2020-UTNES-100362	0.1	Out 08/28/20	40.27314	109.9771	NO
Airport	2020-UTMOD-000301	0.1	Out 08/28/20	39.61574	110.7354	NO
Nizhoni Court	2020-UTSES-000302	0.8	Controlled 08/28/20	37.61966	109.4707	NO
Tunnel	2020-NVELD-040163	0.1	Controlled 08/28/20	39.934333	114.4455	FWS-PAC
MM109 HWY20	2020-IDBOD-000731	3.8	Contained 08/28/20	43.24952	115.5577	IHMA
White Mountain	2020-UTCCD-000764	20	Not Contained	38.31701	113.3143	NO
Black Sand	2020-IDIFD-000188	75	Not Contained	44.03444	111.7267	PHMA
Cove Fort	2020-UTSPA-200545	1.1	Contained 08/28/20	38.61887	112.6084	NO
Caribou County Assist 1	2020-ID3CN-000189	1.5	Not Contained	42.60074	111.7429	NO
Caribou County Assist 2	2020-ID3CN-000190	2	Not Contained	42.73381	111.6701	NO

\* Fires occurred previous night, not today

For additional information go to: [Great Basin Coordination Center Web Site](#)